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Full Council Meeting
Dover High School
Dover, Delaware
April 11, 2019

ATTENDANCE: Ronnie Burkle, Judy Diogo, Mark Freidly, Sandy Gray, Dr. Henry Harper, Dr. Karen Hutchison, Sam Lathem, Dr. Joel Littlejohn, Karen Pickard, Bob Suppe, Frank Vavala, Manera Constantine, Ed Wilchinski and Janet Nichols

Guest: Mark Brainard, Analyst, Joint Legislative Oversight and Sunset Committee; Gene Montano, Supervisor of Instruction, Capital School District and Ron Berry, Assistant Principal, Dover High School.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. Dr. Constantine welcomed everyone and explained the agenda for today's meeting and school tour. She introduced and thanked Gene Montano, Supervisor of Instruction from the Capital School District and Sandy Gray, CTE Coordinator at Dover High School for hosting our meeting today.

DOVER HIGH SCHOOL TOUR AND CTE PROGRAM OVERVIEW AND PRESENTATION

Mrs. Gray welcomed everyone and gave brief comments. Council Members were shown a video, which was produced at the school by the CTE students, highlighting the Career and Technical Education Programs offered at Dover High School. After watching the video members broke into two groups and proceeded on a tour of the school and the CTE areas.

Upon returning from the school tour, Mrs. Gray provided a detailed presentation of the Career areas and Certifications offered at the school. There are 900 students who participate in CTE out of the total 1900 students enrolled at the school. Mrs. Gray thanked Mr. Montano for his support of Career and Technical Education and told Council Members he has been instrumental in setting up partnerships with local colleges for dual enrollment courses and advance college credits for the CTE students at Dover High School. Mrs. Gray informed Council Members that in 2018 the school recognized over 400 students who completed their Career and Technical Education (CTE) Pathways and held a "CTE End of Pathway" ceremony. Students received a graduation stole with their pathway printed on it and were permitted to wear them during the high school graduation ceremony.

Mr. Montano spoke to the Members of the Council about work he has been doing with the Department of Education CTE Education Associates and teachers to raise awareness, interest and participation in non-traditional student career areas i.e.; more male students participating in traditionally female careers and vice versa. Mr. Ron Berry, Assistant Principal addressed the Council regarding new CTE programs he would like to implement at Dover High School.

Dr. Constantine thanked Mrs. Gray, Mr. Montano and Mr. Berry for their hospitality and the information they provided during the tour and presentation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Henry Harper moved to accept the minutes of the December 12, 2018 Council Meeting as presented. Dr. Joel Littlejohn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

The Budgetary Expenditure Report as of April 10, 2019 was distributed to the Council. Dr. Joel Littlejohn moved to accept the report as presented, subject to audit. Frank Vavala seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

DACCTE School Monitoring Visits

The staff is in the process of scheduling the spring monitoring visits. The first visit will be at Christiana High School on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. Dr. Wilchinski, Dr. Harper, DACCTE and Peg Enslen, DOE will attend this visit. The next visit will be at Milford High School on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, with Dr. Wilchinski, and Dr. Lisa Wilson, DOE. Also letters were sent to Lake Forest High School for Wednesday, May 1, 2019, and A I duPont High School for Tuesday, May 7, 2019. Dr. Constantine asked if there were Council Members available to attend the Milford, Lake Forest or A I duPont school visits. Dr. Karen Hutchison volunteered to attend the Milford High School visit and Dr. Joel Littlejohn volunteered to attend the A I duPont High School visit.

Joint Finance Committee (JFC) Hearing

On January 30, 2019 Dr. Constantine and Chairman Lathem presented DACCTE's Fiscal Year 2020 budget to the Joint Finance Committee (JFC) in Dover. This year agencies were permitted to request a one percent increase in their budget. DACCTE included the request in the budget which was submitted in October and the amount was included under the Contractual Services line item in Governor Carney's Recommended Fiscal Year 2020 Budget which was released in January.

Perkins V

Perkins V – “Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act” was signed into law by President Trump on July 31, 2018. The new law will go into effect July 1, 2019. Delaware is required to submit a one-year transition plan which will go to the State Board of Education for approval this month. Once the transition plan has been approved, the final four year plan will need to be completed and approved. The new Act allows for federal funding of CTE programs to begin in grade five. Dr. Constantine serves on the State Plan Committee as required in the Delaware Code. This year, Delaware received \$5.49 million from the Perkins Act for Career and Technical Education

Statewide Career and Technical Education (CTE) Workshop

DACCTE in partnership with the Director and Education Associates for CTE at the Department of Education will hold the semi-annual Career and Technical Education workshop at the Collette Education Resource Center in Dover on Wednesday, April 17, 2019. Workshop participants include CTE teachers, counselors, school administrators as well as district administrators.

DACCTE Awards Program

The mailing for the Annual Awards Program was sent at the beginning of February with nominations due in the Council office by Friday, March 8. Dr. Constantine reported that nominations were received in all categories. The Selection Committee members will meet at the end of April to select the winners. The presentation of the awards will take place immediately following the Council’s June 12 meeting.

Joint Legislative Oversight and Sunset Committee (JLOSC)

Dr. Constantine welcomed Mark Brainard, Jr., Analyst from the JLOSC to our meeting. DACCTE had its JLOSC Hearing before the ten member House and Senate Committee on Monday, April 8, 2019. Several Council Members joined Chairman Lathem and Dr. Constantine at the hearing. Dr. Constantine presented a power point presentation to the committee highlighting the Council’s past and current goals, services and activities. DACCTE staff and members then responded to questions from the Legislative Committee.

New Superintendents

Dr. Constantine reported there are new School District Superintendents. Mr. Dorrell Green has replaced Dr. Merv Daugherty at Red Clay School District and Dr. Joseph Jones will replace Dr. Vicki Gehrt, who is retiring June 30, 2019 at New Castle County Vo-Tech School District.

Upcoming DACCTE Meeting

The next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday, June 12 @ 2:00 p.m. at the Duncan Center in Dover. The regular meeting will be followed immediately by the Awards Ceremony and Reception in the Outlook Room.

Career and Technical Education Articles and Related Materials

The following articles and handouts were highlighted and distributed:

- Fact Sheet on "Perkins V"
- Article: "CTE Today"
- Article: "CTE Works"
- Article: "Real Learning for Real Life – NCCVTSD"

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Joel Littlejohn moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 noon. Mark Freidly seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.